

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Germaine, et al.
Application No. : to be assigned Confirmation No.:
Filed : herewith
For : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ANALYZING THE
SECURITY OF A FACILITY

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d)

Sir:

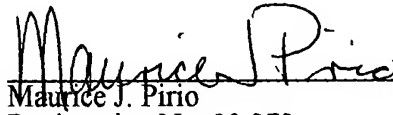
In view of the importance of developing technologies for countering terrorism and the desirability of prompt disclosure of advances made in these fields, applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner make special the above-identified application.

Embodiments provide a computer system that allows personnel at a military base to track and analyze security requirements imposed to reduce the risk of a successful terrorist attack. In one embodiment, the computer system evaluates whether each building of a military base complies with the security requirements that may be promulgated by the Defense Department or Department of Homeland Security. The computer system then displays a map of the military base highlighting those buildings that do not comply with the security requirement. Military personnel can take appropriate action for those buildings not in compliance to minimize the chances of a successful terrorist attack.

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Respectfully submitted,
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